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SUBJ: BAHAMAS INTEREST IN OAS

REF: POOLE TELECONS WITH MONSMA, MCNEIL AND TORHBERG

1. AT REQUEST OF BAHAMAS PERM REP (AND AMBASSADOR TO US) JOHNSON, ARA AREA ADVISOR POOLE LAST WEEK PASSED ON TO HIM BASIC MATERIALS ON OAS SENT BY USOAS, INCLUDING CHARTER, RIO TREATY, INFORMATION PAMPHLETS, ETC. JOHNSON SAID THAT, AFTER STUDYING THESE MATERIALS OVER WEEKEND, HE WISHED TO DISCUSS OAS AND OTHER ASPECTS OF INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM IN GREATER DEPTH WITH POOLE IN VIEW LATTER'S FAMILIARITY WITH SUBJECT.

2. POOLE ALSO GAVE JOHNSON APPROXIMATE TIMETABLE FOR MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION IN CASE BAHAMAS CONSIDERING ENTRY NEXT YEAR, WHICH MAY ALSO BE OF INTEREST TO EMBASSY NASSAU: OAS CHARTER ARTICLES 6 AND 7 PROVIDE THAT APPLICATION SHOULD BE MADE BY NOTE TO SECGEN AND MUST BE APPROVED BY OAS GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPON RECOMMENDATION OF PERMANENT COUNCIL, BOTH ACTING BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE.

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NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULED TO COMMENCE APRIL 19,

1974 (AT ATLANTA), AND GA REGULATIONS PROVIDE FOR APPROVAL OF PROVISIONAL AGENDA BY PREPARATORY COMMITTEE 60 DAYS IN ADVANCE. THIS WOULD POINT TO APPLICATION BY MID-JANUARY IN ORDER TO PERMIT PERMANENT COUNCIL TIME TO TAKE UP AT REGULAR SESSION AND, AFTER ROUTINE REFERRAL TO ITS JURIDICAL-POLITICAL COMMITTEE, TO ADOPT RECOMMENDATION AT ITS NEXT REGULAR SESSION TWO WEEKS THEREAFTER, FOR INCLUSION IN GA AGENDA BY PREPARATORY COMMITTEE. WHILE GA ITSELF CAN ALWAYS ADD ITEMS TO AGENDA (BY TWO-THIRDS VOTE) THAT HAVE NOT MET 60-DAY REQUIREMENT, IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE TO STICK TO NORMAL PROCEDURE, WHICH CANNOT IN ANY EVENT SHORT-CIRCUIT PROCESSING THROUGH PERMANENT COUNCIL.

3. WHEN JOHNSON EXPRESSED INTEREST IN IDB, POOLE MENTIONED THAT, UNDER PRESENT IDB STATUTES, MEMBERSHIP IN OAS WAS PREREQUISITE TO MEMBERSHIP IN BANK EXCEPT FOR DONOR COUNTRIES WITHOUT RECIPIENT RIGHTS.

4. JOHNSON SAID HE WAS INTERESTED IN HAVING ALL THIS INFORMATION IN ORDER TO INFORM HIS GOVERNMENT WHEN HE RETURNS ON CONSULTATION LATER IN DECEMBER.
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